



Blogs relevant to naval operations/warfare, policy, and innovation are monitored for items of interest. Some items include a brief abstract. If you would like to recommend a blog site for inclusion, or want to be removed from the list please contact: Yana Samberg at: [yana.samberg.ctr@navy.mil](mailto:yana.samberg.ctr@navy.mil)

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<https://www.nwdc.navy.mil/ncoi/blog/default.aspx>

### 1. WIRED: DANGER ROOM:

[Pentagon Tobacco Might One Day Stop Syria's Nerve Gas](#) (The Pentagon's extreme science branch believes there may be a way to ward off nerve gas attacks before they're ever launched. The answer lies in a close cousin of tobacco. Earlier this month, Darpa gave out a [\\$2.7 million contract](#) to Kentucky Bioprocessing, LLC to get going on this potential pre-treatment, which could be given to troops prior to a deployment into a war zone with a credible threat of chemical weapon use.)

### 2. WIRED: THREAT LEVEL:

[Maker of Smart-Grid Control Software Hacked](#)

### 3. CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL MARITIME SECURITY:

[International Maritime Satire Week](#) (Consider yourselves warned)

### 4. INFORMATION DISSEMINATION:

[Interservice Conflict and the System of Systems](#)

### 5. SMALL WARS JOURNAL:

[An Enduring Argument Against Counterinsurgency](#)

### 6. USNI:

[Guest Post by RDML James Foggo: Fostering Innovation in the United States Navy](#)

### 7. OTHER BLOGS (Rotating, based on relevant content)

#### AOL DEFENSE:

- [Pentagon Presses Weapons Factory And Software Safeguards](#) (For all the [senatorial furor](#) over Chinese [counterfeit parts](#) making their way into [US weapons](#), the Pentagon is worried about something worse. Corrupt subcontractors selling knock-offs)
- ['U.S. Is Losing Cyber Espionage War](#)

#### BUSINESS INSIDER:

- [These PTSD Treatments Most Troops Would Laugh At Might Actually Work Best](#)
- [20 Things You Never Knew About America's War Dogs](#)
- [US Drone Strikes In Pakistan Are Based On A Monthly Unanswered Fax](#) (The U.S. government [says it has tacit consent to carry out drone strikes in Pakistan](#) despite the Pakistani government not acknowledging planned bombings, the [Wall Street Journal](#) reports.)



- [How To Know When People Are ACTUALLY Worried About The Fiscal Cliff](#)

### CENTER FOR NEW AMERICAN SECURITY:

- [The Real Pivot](#)
- [China's buildup raises arms race fears](#)

### CNN SECURITY CLEARANCE:

- [Sources: 15 days after Benghazi attack, FBI still not on the scene](#)
- [Safeguarding against cyber attacks](#)
- [Military leaders: We're still too fat to fight](#)

### EAGLESPEAK: [Iran: Grand Scale Press Puffery](#)

### EARLY WARNING:

- [If The Nation Wants A Pivot To Asia, It Will Have To Build More Ships](#)
- [Pentagon Report On Preserving America's Edge In Fighters Ignores Big Reason We're Lagging](#)

### FOREIGN POLICY:

- [The Calm Before the Storm - By Andrew S. Erickson and Gabriel B. Collins](#) (China's about to find out how hard it is to run an aircraft carrier.)
- [Forget 'Better Off' - By Micah Zenko](#) (Are you *safer* than you were four years ago?)
- [Budgeteers to the Rescue - By Gordon Adams](#) (Can accountants save the Pentagon?)

### HERITAGE FOUNDATION:

- [Obama's Foreign Policy Strewn with "Bumps in the Road"](#)
- [Defense Cuts Will Cost Us in the Long Run](#)
- [Philippines Weak as Chinese Flex Naval Muscle](#)
- [A Deadly Anniversary in China](#)

**INSTITUTE FOR THE STUDY OF WAR:** [Endgame](#) (ISW is pleased to announce the publication of a comprehensive account of the war in Iraq by Michael R. Gordon, former Senior Fellow at ISW and Chief Military Correspondent at The New York Times.)

**MARINE CORPS TIMES:** [Domestic bases will feel impact of budget cuts](#)

**NAVAL WAR COLLEGE MARITIME NEWS:** [Undersea Mines Could Be Next Decade's IEDs](#)

### THE NAVAL DIPLOMAT:

- [South Korea's Three-Way Tussle](#)
- [An Ominous Pledge](#)
- [China's A2/AD System of Systems](#)



### TIME MAGAZINE BATTLELAND BLOG:

- [Cloak Blade: First It Was Octo-Mom – Now It's Octo-Rotor](#)
- [Measuring Its Impact on the Korean Peninsula](#) (One can easily see how South Korean leaders might be concerned when they hear American leaders say that sequestration would be “catastrophic” for the U.S. military and that “the gap between the U.S. military and our closest rivals will collapse with sequestration.”)

**THOMAS P.M. BARNETT:** [A sign of Africa's genuine emergence within, and connectivity to, globalization](#)

### 8. FROM THE READERS

- Interview with RADM Moran, Director Naval Aviation, in *Seapower Magazine*: <http://www.seapower-digital.com/seapower/sample#pg16>
- 58,500 tonnes of coincidence (China's aircraft carrier from the *Economist*): <http://www.economist.com/blogs/clausewitz/2012/09/chinas-aircraft-carrier?fsrc=nlw|newe|9-26-2012|3585976|37102529|>